

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Tom Horne, Superintendent of Public Instruction

LOCAL DIRECTORS MEETING EVIT February 15, 2005

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ADE Announcements and Recognitions Milton D. Ericksen

ACOVA Update Tony Maldonado

ACTE Update Pam Ferguson

Strategies for Academic Success Administrative Panel

2005 Performance Measures On-Line Marilee Johnson

System: New Features

CTE Delivery System CTE Advisory Committee

AZ High School Renewal Initiative Karen Butterfield

BREAK

30 Minute Rotation (Choose 3 of 4)

Rotation Schedule: 1st 10:00am to 10:25am 2nd 10:30am to 10:55am 3rd 11:00am to 11:25am

1. Strategies for Academic Success

Administrative Panel

2. AZ High School Renewal Initiative

Karen Butterfield

3. CTE Delivery System

CTE Advisory Committee

4. 2005 Performance Measures On-Line System: New Features

Marilee Johnson



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Career and Technical Education Unit Professional Development Office

Online Technical Assistance and CTE Basic Grant and Data Reporting

Saturday, July 16, 2005

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PUT ON YOUR BOOTS AND COWBOY UP!

It's time for our annual round-up for the Pre-Conference Data Workshop and we are invitin' y'all to attend!

It promises to be a full day of training for those responsible for Secondary CTE Basic Grant Application; enrollment reporting; concentrator and placement reporting; accessing performance results; and Grants Management Enterprise System fiscal issues.

It will be a full day of hands-on training in the computer lab and classroom, where you can practice moving around in the CTE website, producing reports, and submitting data electronically.

Seating is limited, reserve your saddle early.

Where: Loews Ventaña Canyon Resort

When: Saturday, July 16, 2005

The registration fee of \$65 includes a Continental Breakfast, lunch, an afternoon snack, all materials and door prizes!

I have been a Local Director over ten years and I felt this session really helped me better understand the requirements for Local Directors. I appreciated the time spent going over the various reports and the atmosphere of fun but still getting the job done. It was one of the best I have ever attended...

Mollie Carlin, Ft. Thomas Unified School District













The Technical Assistance workshop was most helpful and answered many questions. Much information was shared in an informative and FUN manner. We learned a lot and the time passed very quickly. There is so much to learn about completing the various reports and the notebook is a great reference.

Karen Lattin, Agua Fria Union High School District



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Each Local Director or a representative that works with CTF funding, should attend this pre-conference seminar. The staff presented the material in a supportive and helpful manner. They explained the overall reporting process and requirements in an understandable way. Even though I'd submitted reports to ADE before, the information given was very valuable. As a result of attending this session, my job of reporting was made easier because I better understood the data needs and requirements of the school district to ADE.

Joyce Downs, Duncan Unified School District







Allied Health Services Program Implementation Update



Medical Imaging



Lab Assisting



Pharmacy SS



Sports Medicine & Rehab Therapies

Did you know that:

- There are hundreds of professions in health care besides nurses and physicians.
- The top 30 fastest growing jobs in the U.S. predicted through 2010 are in Allied Health Occupations.
- CTE offers 4 challenging, exciting curriculum framework options for Allied Health Services.

Update at the March Local Directors Meeting:

- Trends, Issues and Challenges for the Allied Health Occupations.
- CTE Career Options in Allied Health Services.
- CTE Allied Health Implementation Project update.
- Implementing an Allied Health Services option in your district.
- How CTE can help your programs get started.

Presenters:

Connie Thompson State Supervisor Arizona Health Careers Education

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Press Release

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Bush budget dismantles career and technical education

ALEXANDRIA, VA- Today, the White House unveiled its fiscal year 2006 budget request which includes a proposal to dismantle career and technical education (CTE) programs that are funded through the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Act, along with several other education programs in order to fund the President's High School Intervention Initiative, according to the Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) and the National Association of State Directors of Career Technical Education Consortium (NASDCTEC).

"This move effectively creates a block grant for high schools," said ACTE President Francie Russell, "We support the Administration's focus on High School reform and feel that career tech programs are integral to achieving the goals of better outcomes for students, but we are concerned the Administration's proposal will severely harm career and technical education programs that are working for students in schools across the country."

Career and technical education programs provide high school students with high-quality skills that prepare them for indemand jobs. "The President's budget clearly does not recognize or value the important role career and technical education has in high school reform or the role it plays in supporting our country's economic growth and workforce needs," said NASDCTEc Past President Mike Rush. "Career and technical education makes education relevant, keeps kids in school and helps to close the skills gap. If the investment in Perkins is eliminated, our country will lose many of the critical tools necessary to implement the President's goal for high school reform."

CTE also enhances student achievement. Students who complete a rigorous academic core coupled with a career concentration have test scores that equal or exceed "college prep" students. These dual-concentrators are more likely to pursue postsecondary education, have a higher grade point average in college and are less likely to drop out in the first year, reports the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB).

CTE doesn't only serve the high school community. Perkins funds are also used to fund important education and job training programs at community colleges and other postsecondary settings. Kimberly Green NASDCTEc Executive Director noted that, "Community and technical colleges are on the front lines of preparing youth and adults with the skills needed to succeed in the workforce. At a time when our nation's economic heath and prosperity relies so heavily on the availability and quality of our nation's skilled workforce, the President's budget proposal eliminates Perkins' critical federal investment in community and technical colleges. This will likely result in critical programs that meet the needs of employers and workers shutting down."

The Bush Administration has previously called for deep cuts of 25% to the Perkins program in its last two budget proposals and Congress has rejected those cuts in the past. However, according to ACTE Executive Director Jan Bray, with an ever tightening budget picture in Congress, ACTE and NASDCTEc remain concerned that CTE programs along with 150 other domestic programs slated for cuts by the Administration could see decreased funding.

Bray added, "Career and technical education makes positive investments in America's future by educating our youth and preparing our nation's workforce to compete in the 21st century. Our nation needs to preserve this important program."

ACTE and NASDCTEc advocate jointly for career and technical education with Congress, the U.S. Department of Education, and the White House. The Perkins program is among our nation's most important investments in high schools, a key component of our postsecondary and workforce development systems, and is vital to American business. Eliminating Perkins funding and funneling it towards a general high school program not only effects existing high school CTE programs but it would harm important postsecondary programs that help provide business and industry with the skilled workers they need to compete in the 21st century economy.



Instructional Program Leader Initiative

A program designed to identify, recognize, and utilize the expertise of instructional program leaders at the secondary level to assist the Arizona Department of Education Career and Technical Education (CTE) Unit in implementing the CTE Delivery System Strategic Goals as approved by the State CTE Advisory Committee.

Goal 1 Develop and implement the vision and mission for Career and Technical Education

Goal 2 Implement a new delivery system for Career and Technical Education reflecting commitment to rigor and relevance

Goal 3 Institute a system of technical assessments for Career and

Technical Education

For the first year of the Initiative, the following programs will be targeted:

- Agriscience
- · Business Information Technology Services
- · Business Management and Administrative Services
- Culinary Arts
- Drafting/Design Technology
- · Education Professions
- Nursing Services

Applications will be requested through a nomination process.

An applicant may be nominated for consideration by a district administrator, peer teacher, CTE State Supervisor, or may be self-nominated.

The application will include an overview of the Initiative and the selection criteria.

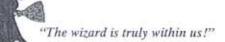
Applicants will be required to provide information including but not limited to:

- documentation of appropriate certification and experience
- evidence of contribution to Career and Technical Education in their district
- writing sample
- statement of support from a district administrator

Applications will be accepted from mid-March through May 1, 2005.

Applications will be reviewed and evaluated based on criteria in categories including but not limited to:

- Professional Qualifications
- Curriculum and Instruction
- · Student-Centered Learning Environment
- · Collaboration with Academic Partners
- Community Connections



Elaine K. McEwan
 7 Steps to Effective
 Instructional Leadership

It is expected that each recognized Instructional Program Leader will make a 2-year commitment to assist the CTE Unit in implementing the CTE Delivery System Strategic Goals as follows:

Year 1

- · Attend an orientation regarding the expectations for participants
- Attend the 2005 ACTE Conference in Tucson, July 17-20
- Design and deliver a workshop that showcases their program

Year 2

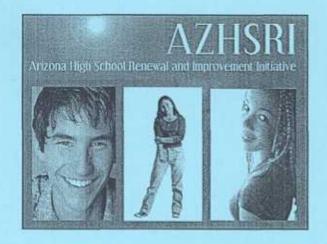
- · Mentor CTE program area teacher(s)
- Act as an advocate for the CTE Delivery System Strategic Goals

The seven Instructional Program Leaders identified through the selection process will be recognized at the 2005 ACTE Conference to be held in Tucson, July 17-20.

In return for their participation, each of the seven Initiative teachers will receive a monetary stipend.

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The Arizona High School Renewal & Improvement (AZHSRI) Initiative:

A Call to Action The AZHSRI Focus Group Project

Career & Technical Education Local Directors Meeting February 15, 2005

Karen Butterfield, Ed.D.
Deputy Associate Superintendent
Innovative & Exemplary Programs
AZHSRI State Team Leader



AZHSRI GOAL

To develop a statewide vision and action plan for high school renewal and improvement in order to raise academic achievement, increase the number of high school graduates and increase post-secondary options, such as college attendance/completion and workplace entry.



PURPOSE OF REGIONAL FOCUS GROUPS

- To clarify the unique Arizona context for High School Renewal.
- > Provide legitimacy by obtaining buy-in, input



Where Are We?

➤ AZHSRI Focus Group
Project = Assessing
Where Our High Schools
Are



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- Arizona Department of Education
- > WestEd



FOCUS GROUP PARTNERS

- > Arizona Association of Student Councils
- > Arizona Business & Education Coalition
- > Arizona Charter Schools Association
- > Arizona Education Association
- > Arizona Federation of Teachers
- > Arizona Minority Education Policy Analysis Center
- > Arizona School Administrators
- > Arizona School Board Association
- > Center for the Future of Arizona
- > Greater Phoenix Leadership, Education Initiative
- > Rodel Charitable Foundation of Arizona
- > State Community Colleges and Universities



FUNDING RESOURCES

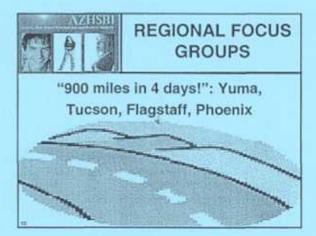
- "Line of Credit" received from The Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) via the USDOE
- Arizona Department of Education
- > West Ed





FOCUS GROUP FACILITATION

- ADE and WestEd contracted with West Wind Enterprises to help design, conduct, and report on the Regional Focus Groups. The report written after the focus groups details:
 - > The state of the AZ high school;
 - > What matters most to our stakeholders;
 - The needs and expectations within schools and broader community;
 - > What ideas hold promise or are at peril;
 - > Readiness to take on renewal, activities

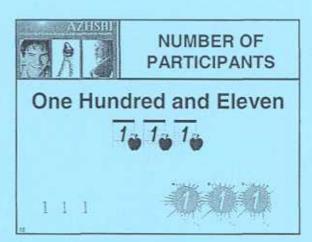




FOCUS GROUP PARTICIPANTS

- > Principals & Superintendents
- > Teachers
- > Parents
- > Students
- > Higher Education
- > Business Representatives
- > Governing Board Members
- > Legislators







QUESTIONS ASKED

> What is working well in our high schools?

> What is not working well?



> What do our high school grads need to know and be able to do after graduation?



QUESTIONS ASKED

> What ideas and resources are needed to foster high school renewal in Arizona?

> Is there anything that was not brought to the table?



WHAT WORKED?

- > Outside, neutral facilitation
- > QUICK timeline: sponsors commitment, obtaining results
- > 3-hour, intense dialogue
- > Visually capturing comments







EVALUATION PROCESS

- > Verbal Feedback
- > Questionnaire: individual comments
- > Plus/Delta Process
- > Numeric data
 - · Did we meet our goals?
 - . Did the process work?
 - · What aspects of delivery worked? Didn't work?





EVALUATION RESULTS

> Overall Rating: 4.3/5.0

> Delivery: 4.04/5.0

> Materials: 3.85/5.0

> Goals Met: 3.7/5.0



WHAT WORKED?

- Balance of: unified, visual theme with the emphasis our work is "unfinished", "fluid"
- > Obtaining diverse participants
- > Diversity with school representation
 - · Alternative schools
 - . Charter schools
 - · Traditional district schools



CHALLENGES

- > Time constraint
 - Obtaining participant names; sponsor contacts limited
- > Finding the balance between presenting information and collecting information
- Still need to engage a few more stakeholder groups for diversity



RESULTS

- Recommendation 1:
 - Clearly and Convincingly Justify High School Renewal
 - Define AZ's expectations for high students in a clear, concrete vision statement
 - Incorporate into the vision: AZ's expectations for its high school grads
 - Proficiency in core content areas, the arts, citizenship; workforce/higher ed/life prep
 - Develop action plans with short-, medium-, long-term wins



RESULTS

- > Recommendation 1 (continued):
 - Clearly and Convincingly Justify High School Renewal
 - Identify partnerships and opportunities for collaboration with stakeholders and allies
 - Identify messages that motivate the public and make the case for renewal
 - Present vision/action plan in a continuous improvement mode



BROAD RESULTS

- > Recommendation 2:
 - Ensure All Students Have Access to a Rigorous, Relevant, Comprehensive Curriculum
 - · Ensure curriculum is well-rounded and rigorous
 - Learn from, encourage and expand CTE
 - Recognize and address the importance of student motivation



RESULTS

- > Recommendation 3:
 - · Improve Instruction
 - · Improve teacher preparation
 - · Improve teacher professional development
 - Use adolescent development knowledge in instructional strategies, school organization plans
 - Change the professional culture of school communities



RESULTS

Recommendation 4:

 Reduce the Number of Students Who Drop Out Early



RESULTS

- > Recommendation 5:
 - Diagnose Potential Resistance to change and Address as Required

"You have to change quickly enough so that gravity cannot drag you back".

Theodore Sizer



RESULTS

- > Recommendation 6:
 - Ensure AIMS is a Sustainable Instrument for Improvement
 - · Analyze AIMS results and publicize findings
 - · Help students to pass AIMS



NEXT STEPS

State Team Meets 2/2/05



ALIGN AZHSRI to the STATE TEAM'S and SUPERINTENDENT HORNE'S PRIORITIES

- > AIMS Intervention
- > High School Literacy/Reading
- > Lower the Dropout Rate; Increase Grad Rate
- Incorporation of Comprehensive Content-Based Curriculum (CTE, the Arts)
- > Enhance Curricula Rigor
- > Identification of High School Models That Work
- > Incorporation of Data-Driven Decision Making



Align AZHSRI to the Three Core Areas of Breaking Ranks II

- Collaborative Leadership/Professional Learning Communities
- > Personalized School Environment
- Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment



ALIGN AZHSRI to AZ LEARNS

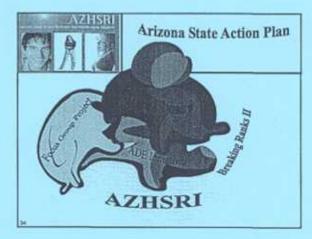
- > AIMS RESULTS
- > MEASURE of ACADEMIC PROGRESS
- > GRADUATION RATES
- > DROPOUT RATES
- > ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS

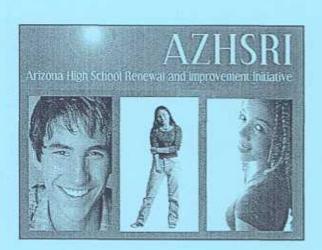


ALIGN AZHSRI to ADE'S SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT STANDARDS

- > School & District Leadership
- Curriculum, Instruction & Professional Development
- > Classroom & School Assessments
- > School Culture, Climate & Communication

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ACADEMIC INTEGRATION AT SEDONA-OAK CREEK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 1. Support from the superintendent
- 2. Support from the high school and middle school principals
- Require CTE teachers to include academic crosswalks in weekly lesson plans
- 4. Maximize team teaching opportunities for CTE and Academic teachers to collaborate
- Maximize opportunities for CTE Project based learning which provides students with the chance to apply what they have learned in the academic classroom
- 6. Have Administrators attend CTE conferences and report the latest findings to the entire staff
- 7. Convince Academic subject teachers to integrate CTE competencies into their lesson plans.
- 8. Conduct school wide staff development sessions which focus on Integration

Schools should

change with times

Growing up as a young boy in the late 1960s, there were always three books in my home and every home in my neighborhood: a Webster's dictionary, a Bible and the Sears, Roebuck & Cocatalog. Today, two of these books are still in my home: the dictionary and the Bible.

The Sears catalog is no longer present in my home — although it had been in many thousands of homes across America for decades.

The reason is that Sears failed to change and "think outside of the box." The Sears firm felt they were the "Goliath" of their industry and would continue to remain the "only game in town." They were wrong, and the rest is history.

The American public school system has always been a "giant" as well in the education system in this country.

Today, there is more competition than in years past, e.g., charter, alternative and on-line schools as well as home schooling.

The reason for all of this com-

petition is that the American public school system has not "changed" and "evolved" at nearly the pace of society, technology or economics.

The American public education system was originally designed for the industrial age, when people had predictable jobs, at predictable times, requiring predictable skills — since they were

going to be employed in predictable places.

The high point in this industrial society peaked in the mid-1950s. For the past 50 years, our economy, society and technology has been changing into something else, while our educational system has not.

In a culture where information that is relevant today is obsolete tomorrow, students need to learn how to learn, not what to learn. They need to be taught how to think, not what to think.

Learning how to learn and learning how to embrace change are critical skills that will enable

an individual to thrive in

any situation.

At Sedona Red Rock High School, I feel we are ahead of the average public high school in America in terms of "thinking outside the box."

SRRHS realizes the importance of challenging our students to think and to process information, as opposed to simply memorizing it.

We will continue to evolve by "thinking outside of the box," and

continue to be open to new ideas, We will, as well, discard the strategies and conceptual thinking that isn't effective in preparing our students for a fast-paced, ever-changing global society.

I don't have all the answers, but I do know that "if one wants to

> get that sweet piece of fruit off the tree of knowledge, one has to go out on a limb, because it doesn't grow near the trunk of the tree."

> We as educators, parents and community members should realize the importance of taking risks when we are structuring young people's education and their future. Because — "the

biggest risk of all is taking no risk at all."

News from the Sedona-Oak Creek School District is published weekly during the school year. This week's column is written by David Lykins, assistant principal of Sedona Red Rock High School.



School News

DAVID LYKINS

Learning how to learn and learning how to embrace change are critical skills that will enable an individual to thrive in any

situation.



Sunday June 26 to Wednesday June 29



he demands created by No Child Left Behind, specifically its provision that every student make adequate yearly progress towards proficiency, are foremost in the minds of educators. AYP has changed the operating principle of public education from "attendance mandatory/learning optional" to "mandatory learning for all." Yet, while we embrace the concept of leaving no students behind, bringing all students to high standards in the traditional school day and year is a challenge.

Since its inception in 1991, the International Center for Leadership in Education has been committed to finding the most successful practices to provide all students with a rigorous and relevant education.

The 2005 Model Schools Conference will continue that mission in partnership with the Council of Chief State School Officers through a national initiative supported by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. This initiative identifies a diverse group of our most successful high schools and sends site reviewers to document their best practices and key school characteristics.

In addition to the high school models, we are showcasing elementary and middle schools and K-12 districts that are experiencing similar successes. Featured speakers and how-to sessions each day will provide a wealth of information as will sessions on resources that have helped move students to higher levels of achievement. Dr. Willard R. Daggett, President of the International Center, will deliver the Prelude and Keynote Address.

The 2005 Conference will offer the largest and most comprehensive program in our history. We are convinced that, from among the wide variety of methods and approaches presented, you will find ones that will work well to increase achievement in your school and district.

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The Model Schools Conference will stretch your thinking and motivate you to move ahead with your school improvement efforts. You will leave the Conference with a renewed sense of purpose as well as practical ideas and resources that you can put right to use.

Come as a Team

Improving a school system requires broadbased support and involvement of policy makers, educators, and the community at large. Schools and districts are encouraged to send a team to the Conference, including school board members, senior administrators, teachers, special education representatives, parents, business leaders, and elected officials. Most sessions are repeated three times. All include the opportunity to ask questions and engage in discussion.

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Here's what participants had to say about the 2004 Model Schools Conference.

"I am actively translating the ideas presented into practice. Bill Daggett somehow manages to stay on the cutting edge, pointing us all in the direction of a rapidly approaching future. I always come away both challenged and charged."

K-12 Chancellor of Education

"We were fortunate to attend the Conference as a team, which affords us the opportunity to share what we learned via many voices." Area Superintendent, Florida

"Great mixture of workshops. You have met our needs in terms of looking at resources that would provide the common language district-wide."

Elementary Supervisor, New York

"Excellent conference! Well worth the cost and time. Bravo!"

Assistant Principal, Florida

"Every session has given me something to think about and take back to our organization. I've been energized!" Consortium Director, Illinois

"I really appreciated the sessions that gave concrete evidence, examples, suggestions, and specific ideas on implementation."

Anonymous

"This conference was what I needed to grow as a teacher. I now have a tool to move my students in a positive direction."

Teacher, Hawaii

"Thanks for sharing the wealth of data about special education students at the Conference. Never have I heard such a comprehensive set of data that looks at the special education child from school through adulthood."

School Board Member, Illinois

"I was so charged after attending the Preconference about raising standards for our special needs youngsters. I will share the information I received with our Director of Special Services."

Staff Development Director, Washington

Participants receive:

- The Conference Proceedings with case studies of all model programs
- Dr. Daggett's research report

Learn what the model schools have accomplished with respect to:

- creating a culture and learning environment that promotes high achievement
- using data effectively to make instructional decisions
- creating a curriculum that is both rigorous and relevant
- increasing learning time in the school day/calendar
- · employing practices that actively engage all students in learning
- · providing professional development
- promoting parent involvement
- garnering community support and establishing partnerships

Conference at a Glance

Sunday - June 26 Evening Prelude 7:00-8:30

Monday - June 27 Morning Keynote Address 8:30-10:00

Concurrent Sessions 10:15 - 11:45

Afternoon Concurrent Sessions

> 1:15 - 2:45 & 3:00 - 4:30

Tuesday - June 28 Morning

Concurrent Sessions

8:30 - 10:00 & 10:15 - 11:45

Afternoon Concurrent Sessions

> 1:15 - 2:45 & 3:00 - 4:30

Wednesday - June 29 Morning Concurrent Sessions

8:30 - 10:00

Closing Session 10:15 – 11:45

The schools making presentation are the most replicable models of:

- Exceeding AYP requirements
- Rigorous and relevant instruction
- Data-based decision making
- · Curriculum alignment
- Differentiated instruction
- Reading proficiency
- Academic success for special education students
- Increased learning time in the school day/calendar
- · Interdisciplinary approaches
- Performance assessment
- · Parents as partners

Among the characteristics of successful schools that will be demonstrated by the models are:

- Small learning communities (academic and career academies, magnet schools, schools within schools)
- Nontraditional scheduling
- A culture that promotes high achievement
- Excellent professional development programs
- Commitment to literacy
- · School-business partnerships
- Collaborative leadership
- Character education
- Student accountability
 Technology-infused programs

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Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center Nashville

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General Sessions

Prelude • Sunday 7:00 p.m.
Technology in 2010 –
What Students Will Need to Know and Be
Able to Do

Dr. Willard R. Daggett, President International Center for Leadership in Education

Keynote Address • Monday 8:30 a.m. America's Most Successful Schools – What Happens in the Classroom Dr. Willard R. Daggett

Closing Address • Wednesday 10:15 a.m.
Dr. David J. Ferrero, Director of Evaluation and
Research-Education
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
and

Raymond J. McNulty, Senior Consultant, International Center for Leadership in Education and Executive Director, Successful Practices Network

Featured Speakers

A series of featured speakers will present sessions on how their organizations and agencies can assist schools in moving from promising models to proven models of success with rigorous and relevant education programs for all students. Among the presenters:

Dr. Tom Houlihan, Executive Director, Council of Chief State School Officers

Lawrence Gloeckler, Executive Director, Special Education Institute of the International Center for Leadership in Education

Dr. Sam Houston, President and CEO, North Carolina Science, Mathematics and Technology Education Center

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Model Schools Conference participants can enroll in a three-credit-hour graduate course as part of the Conference. Details on the course will be included with the registration confirmation letter.

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for a listing of model programs and presenters beginning March 31



Concurrent Session Topics

The Model Schools Conference has a full range of models and sessions that will be of interest to K-12 administrators, teachers, board of education members, business and government leaders, and parents. Included on the Conference program are the following:

- The most successful U.S. high schools as identified by the Council of Chief State School Officers and the International Center
- K-8 and district models that provide all students with a rigorous and relevant curriculum
- Best practices sessions for teachers presented by leading Master Teachers
- In-depth look for administrators and board members at organizational structures and policies
- How learning in the arts improves academic achievement
- Achieving academic excellence through career and technical education
- Increasing academic success for special education students
- · Raising high-stakes test scores
- · Teaching reading across the curriculum
- · Collaborating with parents and the community
- · Creating small learning communities
- Different strategies for different learners
- · Promoting responsible student behavior
- Safe, supportive, and effective schools
- Technology integration in the classroom

Sign Up for a Preconference

The Ultimate "How-to" Events!



Three full-day Preconference workshops will provide opportunities for teachers and administrators to learn about strategies and approaches used by model schools and then organize, adapt, and customize that information to meet the needs of their students. The presenters are not only known for their knowledge, expertise, and communication skills, but also for their passion and willingness to help you improve teaching and learning in your school or district.

Saturday, June 25 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Using the Rigor/Relevance Framework to Raise Student Achievement

To meet AYP requirements, schools must move beyond the "what" of curriculum to the "how" of instruction. Research supports the importance of application-based instruction as a means of raising student achievement. By carefully planning learning experiences for students, high levels of cognition and application can be achieved. This workshop will provide the resources and guidance to improve rigor and relevance, including the Rigor/Relevance Framework, which helps teachers increase academic rigor and introduce real-world relevance in the classroom. Understanding this Framework gives teachers a basis to analyze state tests, plan curriculum, differentiate instruction, and select the most effective teaching strategies. The workshop will also cover how to use the International Center's Curriculum Matrix and a planning process to align instruction with standards.

Sunday, June 26 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Making the Most of Grades 9 and 12: Redesigning Programs to Meet Student Needs

Model high schools have found that a key to academic success is focusing on what happens during the critical transition as students enter high school and a key to future success is a rigorous 12" grade year. These model schools feature a myriad of strategies in both grades that have all but erased traditional grade level configurations. Approaches such as small learning communities, class size adjustments, academic interventions, mentoring, tutoring, postsecondary articulation, business partnerships, senior exhibitions, and internships are being used to design programs that meet the students' interests, learning styles, and aptitudes. All approaches have one thing in common — an uncompromising commitment to high expectations and rigorous and relevant instruction. This workshop will review successful approaches identified in the schools involved in the International Center's high school initiatives and provide opportunities to interact with model school leaders who have implemented innovative programs.

Innovative Strategies and Best Practices for Educating Students with Disabilities in Grades 7-12

Students with disabilities can benefit from No Child

Left Behind, which has placed the spotlight on the significant achievement gaps that exist for certain groups of students. Schools cannot continue the tradition of low expectations for students receiving special education services. On the other hand, we cannot expect a dramatic improvement in the educational performance of these students until instructional programs are realigned to give students the opportunities and supports that will allow them to succeed. A steady path of increased expectations and insistence on continuous improvement is the way to proceed. This workshop will describe a performance-based approach to increased expectations and improved achievement. Participants will hear from successful schools that are using data to analyze performance, drive policy decisions, and allocate resources. Strategies and best practices for educating students with disabilities will be shared.

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You may sign up for one Preconference (Saturday or Sunday) or two Preconferences (Rigor/Relevance on Saturday and one of the Sunday sessions).



Registration Information



The registration fee for the Model Schools Conference is \$485.

The cost for groups of five or more is \$445 per person.

Registration fee includes:

- Admission to all general and concurrent sessions
- Case studies from presenters describing their programs
- · Dr. Daggett's latest report on his research
- Discounts on International Center publications and videotapes
- · Morning coffee and baked goods, afternoon refreshments
- · Handouts and other materials

Deadline

Space is limited, so please register early to ensure your place. You will receive confirmation of your Conference registration. Please provide e-mail address. After May 17, add a late fee of \$50 per person.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations requested in writing before June 1 will be subject to a \$25 processing fee. Cancellations requested between June 1 and June 16 will receive a 50% refund. No refunds will be issued after that date, but you may send another person in your place.

Purchase Orders

Each individual on a purchase order should complete a copy of the registration form below. Enclose all forms with the purchase order. Please indicate a contact person on purchase orders for more than one person.

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Peoria PASS™ Program Application and Commitment

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Partners Advancing Student Success (PASS)

PASS Program Overview

The Partners Advancing Student Success (PASS) program is designed to bring business and education together in an effort to further the implementation of Arizona's Academic Workplace Skills Standards into today's educational system. Businesses report that students leaving the school today do not have the skill sets necessary to immediately support them in the workplace.

In an effort to bring business and education to a common understanding of one another's perspective of the issues and situation at hand, we are asking teachers who have an interest in participating in such a program to commit to the following time commitments (ALL SESSIONS ARE REQUIRED):

- 2 evenings: One for orientation scheduled for May 3, 2004, from 4:00-6:00 PM
 One for program-end presentations in the fall (schedule TBD)
- Sessions as scheduled during the week of July 26th between the hours of 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Program Mission

Prepare students with the workplace skills needed to succeed in an ever-changing world, by providing opportunities for educators & business representatives to learn from each other.

Program Objectives

- Develop awareness of technical and other workplace skills required to be successful in varied levels in the workforce.
- · Increase educators' knowledge and understanding of key issues, culture and climate in industry.
- Increase business representatives' knowledge and understanding of key issues, culture and climate in education.
- · Specific Program Objectives in regard to the Arizona Workplace Skills Standards
 - To become familiar with the workplace skills standards.
 - To validate the relevancy of the Workplace Skill Standards to both curriculum and jobs.
 - To raise consciousness around calling out the workplace skills standards as academic lessons are being taught.
 - To develop action plans that utilize some or all of the Workplace Skills Standards to better prepare students for future success.

Program Benefits

- At the end, each educator who completes the program will receive (3) Professional Development credits or may be eligible for a \$250 stipend
- Enhanced partnerships between the education system and business for a stronger and better-prepared workforce.
- To have a better understanding of the connection of Academic Workplace Skill Standards to curriculum.
- Reinforcement of lifelong learning.

The Peoria Unified School District High Tech High School February 2003

I. What?

We are developing a proposal to establish a high tech high school in conjunction with WestMEC (The West Valley Regional and Technical Center), Arizona State University-West, Mid-Western University and the City of Peoria. We are also working to develop partnerships with a number of corporations in the area.

Learning Goals

The learning goal areas listed below would be embedded in the curriculum:

- 1. Empirical Reasoning: "How do I prove it?"
- 2. Quantitative Reasoning: "How do I measure, compare or represent it?"
- 3. Communication: "How do I take in and express ideas?"
- 4. Social Reasoning: "What are other people's perspectives on this?"
- 5. Personal Qualities: "What do I bring to this process?"

Achieving the goals of a high tech high school will require new learning paradigms such as discovery learning, self-directed learning, learning on demand, and organizational learning. In addition, new learning communities cutting across existing boundaries between schools, universities, communities, and industry and supporting horizontal and vertical integration will need to be developed.

We are discussing several possible models for high tech high school. The following are examples, with the actual focus of the school to be determined after input from the constituent groups involved in the project and approval by the Governing Board.

Focused Magnet School

Size of School

450 students per grade level (grades 9-12)

T-Gen Model

This model would have a curriculum aligned with that of Arizona's Translational Genomics Research Institute. Major courses of study would be developed in the areas of biotechnology, genetics, biomedicine, bioethics, DNA and other fields in the biosciences area. The integrated course of studies would have a strong career focus that would lead to internships for all students during their senior year. The academic program would be fully integrated with technology. Through partnerships, students would develop linkages to the university and business world that would help them meet their career goals.

Biomedical Model

This model would be similar to the one above, but would be much broader in scope. Students would have an integrated course of studies and would be involved in an internship during their senior year.

High Tech High Discussion Doe PUSD Curriculum and Instruction

Teaching Model

This model would tie into the current Future Teachers Program that exists in the Peoria Unified School District. It would provide an integrated course of studies that could help students go into a teaching career in areas of high need, such as special education, mathematics or science. Again, students would be involved in a focused internship during their senior year and would develop linkages to ASUW that would facilitate their matriculation to the university.

Smaller Learning Communities

Size of School

Each smaller learning community would have approximately 100 students

Significant Features

- 1. Personalized education
- 2. Small schools
- 3. Teachers as advisors
- 4. Students focusing their interests
- 5. Learning through real application of skills
- 6. Diversity in the learning environment
- Partnerships between youth and the business community that focus on youth development
- Authentic assessment based on a demonstrated mastery of standards and application of skills
- 9. Rigorous academics with practical hands-on application

II. How?

Prerequisites for the success of High Tech High School:

- Strong support from the PUSD Governing Board and Superintendent
- · Strong partnerships with Universities and Business Community
- Strong partnerships with WestMEC and the cities of Peoria and Glendale
- Strong commitment from a core group of current PUSD staff

III. Why?

Many educational leaders recognize that the traditional high school model is less and less effective in preparing students for life and work in the 21st Century. Our economy is now driven by information technology, biotechnology, and nanotechnology. In order to function in such an economy, students must be taught how to apply their knowledge to solve real-world problems. They must learn in an environment that will foster more inclusive frameworks for innovations in learning. This would include open approaches to knowledge creation, integration and dissemination, and technology transfer. One way to do this is to create environments where students learn through the application of skills and content that are aligned with their interests, learning style, and aptitudes. Unfortunately, most American schools are not organized for application or contextualized instruction, even though we know that when we teach students how to apply knowledge, they retain it and perform well on tests.

IV. Where?

We are currently exploring a number of options for the location of the school.

V. When?

The goal is to open a high tech high school in August 2006. High Tech High Discussion Doc PUSD Curriculum and Instruction

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West-MEC

Western Maricopa Education Center, District 402 4949 West Indian School Road

Phoenix, Arizona 85031

PH: 623-873-1860 FAX: 623-873-4188

Career & Technical Education Enhancement Grants 2005-2006

West-MEC has allocated up to \$100,000 for incentive grants to be awarded to West-MEC member districts. Each application should be directed toward planning and/or implementation of one of the following concepts in Career and Technical Education:

- Integration of Academics and CTE: Developing a delivery system for integration of academic
 competencies in CTE courses, and/or CTE competencies into academic courses.
- Career Exploration: Plan, develop, and or implement improvements to program/s for 7th and 8th grade students.
- New Program: Plan, develop, and/or implement new Level III career preparation programs.
- Work Based Learning: Develop and/or implement a delivery system for work based learning
 opportunities for high school students.
- Marketing Local CTE Programs: Develop and produce marketing materials to promote career and technical education in your community.

The application must clearly describe the goal/s, objective/s, and activities which support the outcome of the grant. Professional staff shall be identified by title and their role in the grant. A description of your requested budget is required. The application will be evaluated based on the attached evaluation instrument. A maximum of twenty points are available in each of the five categories.

Timeline:

- Notification to Grant Recipients:April 15, 2005
- Grant Implementation Period: May 1, 2005 June 30, 2006
- Presentation of Grant to an Appropriate Audience & Completion Report Due to West-MEC:.....August 31, 2006

Ouestions:

Please call James Brown at 623-512-2201 or call the West-MEC office at 623-873-1860 with your questions. We'll be happy to help you in the grant process.

West-MEC Grant Application Requirements

Member districts must provide the following information to West-MEC at 4949 West Indian School by 3:00 PM on March 1, 2005. The information must be provided on five (5) pages or less including the attached cover page (the name of the school and district should only appear on the cover page). Submit four copies of the information. Each of the five categories will be scored at a maximum of 20 points each for a total potential of 100 points. The five categories for the project are:

- 1. Describe the purpose/intent of the Project.
- 2. What are the projected outcomes/goals to be achieved by June 30, 2006?
- 3. What are the projected outcomes/goals to be achieved two years after the grant?
- Describe the qualifications of the personnel (titles only; no names) to be involved in the project.
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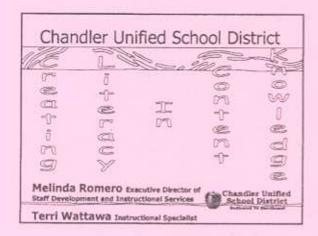
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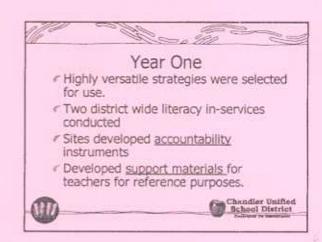
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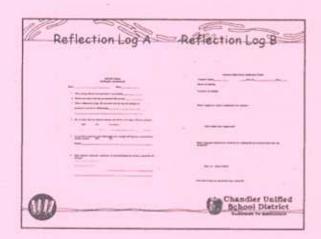
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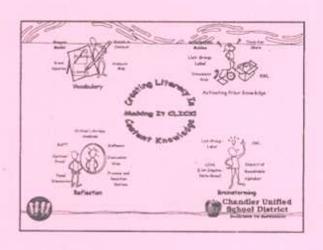
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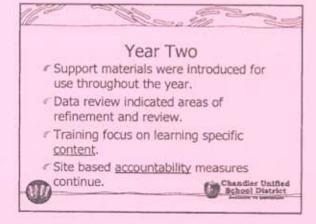
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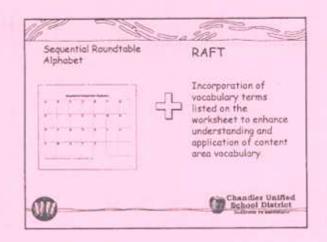


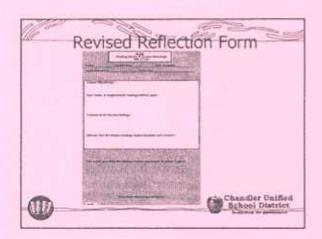


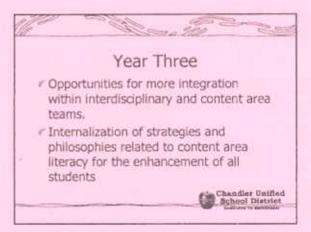


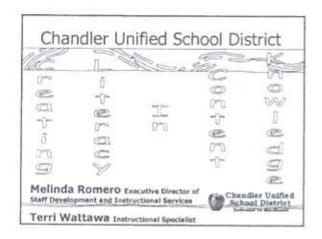


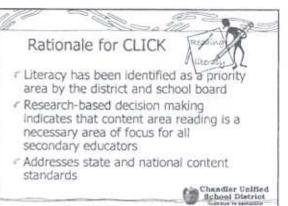


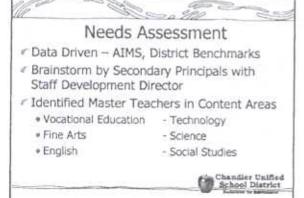


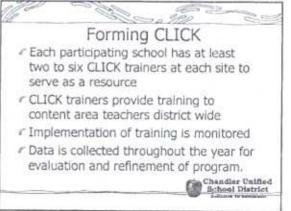


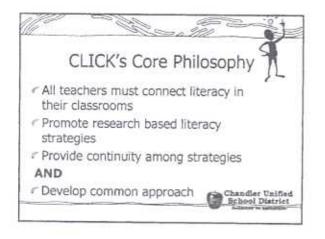


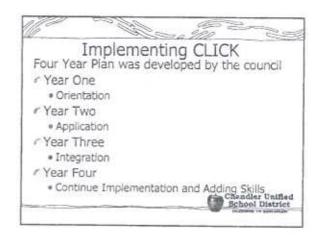


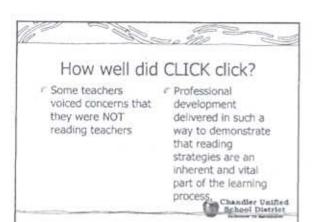


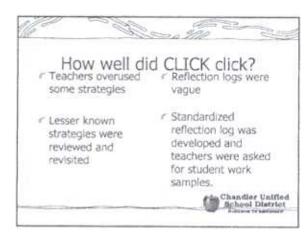


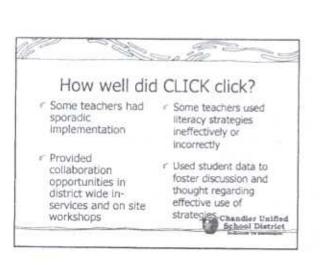


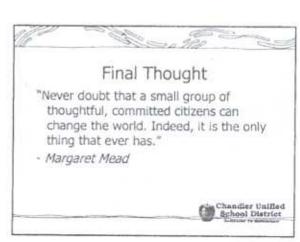












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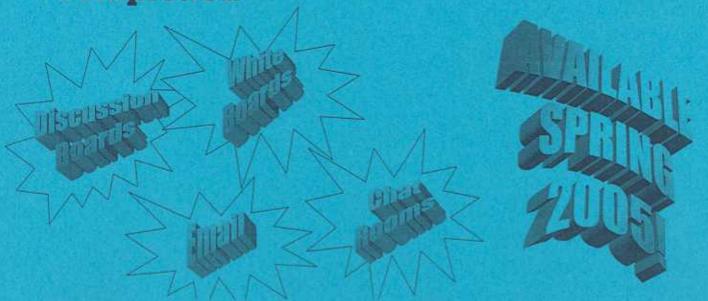
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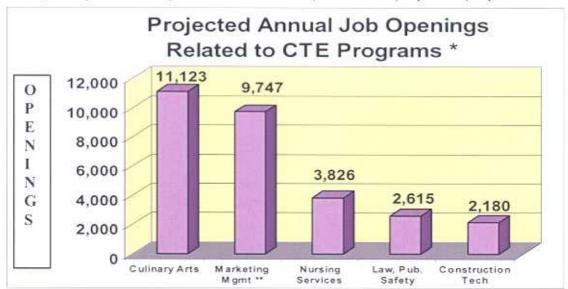
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CTE FACTS is published monthly during the school year and highlights informative educational statistics related to Career and Technical Education (CTE). The focus this school year is on Arizona CTE Core Values. This month's Core Value is:

Preparing students for high wage/high demand occupations and career pathways to enhance the competitive edge and economic development of Arizona.

CTE Leads to High Wage/High Demand Occupations

The mission of CTE is to prepare Arizona students for workplace success. Some of that success is found in finding a career that's in high demand and pays a good wage. The Career and Technical Education unit uses labor market information from the Arizona Department of Economic Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, to determine the ranking of its CTE programs. By use of a formula which weighs the number of openings, wage, academic and technical skill required for a program, a determination is made as to those programs that are in high demand in Arizona. Here are the top five CTE programs having the most annual openings according to 2003-2013 occupational employment projections:



^{*}Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security, Research Administration, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

^{**} Marketing, Management and Entrepreneurship.

Many of these opportunities prepare students for careers in higher paying fields. As an example, within the Culinary Arts program, the following occupational titles exist: Food Service Manager, Chefs/Head Cooks and Managers of Food. Within the Marketing, Management and Entrepreneurship program, the following occupational titles exist: Sales Engineers, Sales Representatives, Travel Agents, Salespersons, Retail Managers and Convention Planners.

Each occupation has a particular degree of preparation needed to fulfill the responsibility of the job. Normally, there is a direct correlation between the amount of education preparation and higher wage.

In a related matter, the U.S. Department of Education released last summer a National Assessment of Vocational Education report on the status of CTE. Some of the following findings pertain to the earnings gains achieved by CTE students:

- Taking four high school CTE credits increases a student's average earnings by \$1,200 immediately after graduation and by \$1,800 seven years later.¹
- A single year of postsecondary career and technical education study "brought five to eight percent more earnings to postsecondary CTE students then to high school graduates with similar characteristics".²
- "Seven years after graduation (high school), students earned almost 2 percent more for each extra high school occupational course they took. That translates into about \$450 per course, based on average earnings of \$24,000;..."

FAST FACTS...

Here are some other facts regarding high wage occupations that students can enter after completing high school and college CTE related programs......

- "With a Cisco networking associate certification you can come out of school making about \$50,000 a year. If you have no hands-on experience you can make about \$40,000."³
- Computer Science graduates are offered an average starting wage of \$49,055;
 Management Info. Systems majors average \$43,953; programmers at \$44,644; private accountants average \$34,616; entry-level management \$33,494; and sales \$33,143.⁴

" Bialik, Carl. "New Graduate Salaries." MSN. Careers, 1 Aug. 2001.

CTE Vision: Ensure a dynamic workforce by fully developing every student's career and academic potential.

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U.S. Dept, of Education Office of the Under Secretary, Policy and Program Studies Service, National Assessment of Vocational Education; Final Report to Congress, Washington, D.C., 2004.

² "Department of Education Releases NAVE Report," Rev. of National Assessment of Vocational Education: Final Report to Congress by Techniques Magazine. Sept. 2004.

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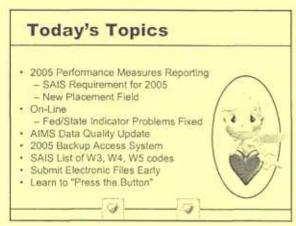
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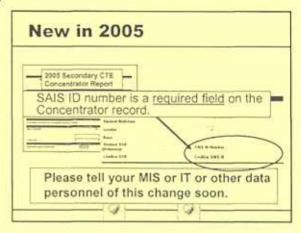
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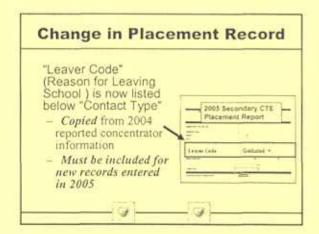
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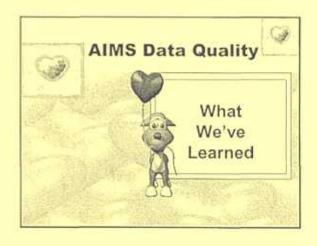
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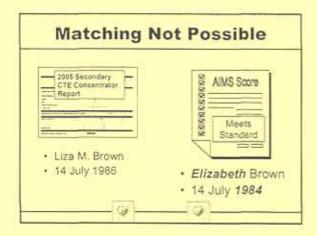
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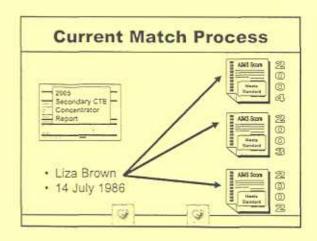






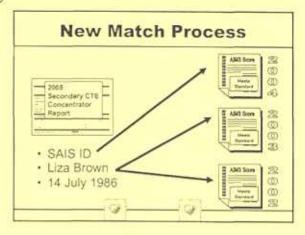






AIMS Answer Sheets

- Spring 2004 is the first time the SAIS ID is included on AIMS answer sheets.
- In 2005, CTE will match on SAIS ID first wherever possible.
- Where matching on SAIS ID is not possible, CTE will continue to match on Last Name + First Name + Birth Date.



When SAIS Birth Dates Are Wrong

- A student's date of birth (DOB) is entered into the SAIS system by the district as either enrollment or student personal information.
- Districts receive an error report after the data is uploaded to SAIS.
- Uncorrected errors impact the ability to match CTE concentrator names with AIMS.

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When AIMS Birth Dates Are Wrong

- AIMS answer sheets will default to SAIS ID when the 2004 AIMS test information is different.
- Prior to 2004, student name, birth date, etc. could be missing or invalid on answer sheets.
- Districts receive an AIMS error report after the data is uploaded.
- Uncorrected errors impact the ability to match CTE concentrator names with AIMS when the students' AIMS scores are dated before 2004.

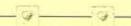
CTE Improvement Strategies

- In 2005, CTE will match on SAIS ID first wherever possible.
- CTE hopes to supply local districts with a list of AIMS student data errors that still exist for student names, birth dates etc.
- Correcting these AIMS student data errors on pre-2004 AIMS records may increase CTE's ability to match your 2005 concentrators with their passing AIMS results.

CTE Improvement Strategies

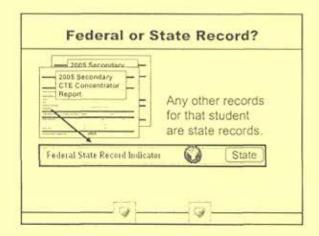
- Within the 2005 CTE on-line system
 - an invalid or missing birth date will not load into the concentrator record.
 - an invalid or missing SAIS ID will not load into the concentrator record.
- Districts that submit by text file will be notified of invalid or missing birth date and/or SAIS information once data is uploaded.
- CTE will compare the concentrator SAIS ID and DOB with the SAIS information on file and notify districts when they do not match.

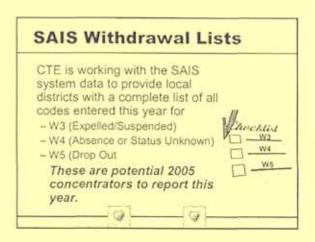
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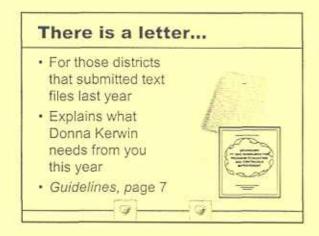


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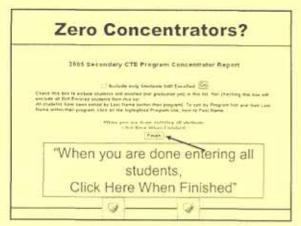








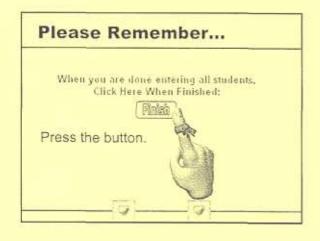


















Arizona Career and Technical Education Strategic Goals

Goal 1 Develop and implement vision and mission for Career and Technical Education

Objective 1.1 Beginning school year 2004-2005, use vision and mission consistently in all communications

Objective 1.2 Beginning school year 2004-2005 disseminate the first component of the marketing and communication plan

Objective 1.3 Beginning school year 2004-2005, disseminate widely to all stakeholder groups

Approved by the CTE Advisory Committee to the State Board of Education October 15, 2003

Goal 2 Implement a new delivery system for Career and Technical Education reflecting commitment to rigor and relevance

Objective 2.1 By school year 2007-2008, implement a comprehensive career development system that includes career awareness in grades K-6, career exploration in grades 7-9 and career preparation in grade 10-12, leading to successful career management.

Objective 2.2 By school year 2007-2008, develop a Career and Technical Education delivery system that allows flexibility 1) to offer multiple exit points when each exit point leads to workplace skill standards or a job; 2) for districts to determine how to sequence courses that deliver the industry validated state program competencies; and 3) to create Career and Technical Education classes that are eligible for weighted credit e.g. advanced placement course weight.

Objective 2.3 By school year 2007-2008, create quality options to initiate a Career and Technical Education delivery system requiring significant rigor and relevance as measured by CTE concentrators passing state identified technical assessments or alternative until such time as technical assessments are available in a single program area.

Approved by the CTE Advisory Committee to the State Board of Education January 14, 2005

Goal 3 Institute a system of technical assessments for Career and Technical Education

Objective 3.1 By school year 2007-2008, provide flexibility in choosing assessment options for all Career and Technical Education programs by endorsing state industry-validated written and/or performance assessments.

Objective 3.2 Annually, seek financial support for implementation of technical assessments.

Objective 3.3 By school year 2007-2008, provide pre-service and in-service training to Career and Technical Education teachers and administrators to implement technical assessments.

Approved by the CTE Advisory Committee to the State Board of Education July 19, 2004



Arizona Career and Technical Education (CTE) Delivery System

Vision: Ensure a dynamic workforce by fully developing every student's career and academic potential.

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Career Management

Students will manage their careers for workforce success by:

- Transitioning to higher education
- , Utilizing labor market information for career selection
- Obtaining postsecondary occupational certificates and degrees
- Completing on-the-job-training
- . Updating technical skills

Career Preparation Grades 10 through 12*

Students will have an opportunity to prepare for careers by:

- . Enrolling in CTE programs reflecting current labor market projections in Arizona
- . Achieving academic standards including reading, writing, math and science embedded in CTE programs
- Attaining industry-validated competencies
- , Completing technical assessment options identified for CTE programs
- . Enrolling in CTE programs with curricular flow articulation to postsecondary

Career Exploration Grades 7 through 9

Students will explore careers and attain academic and technical skills in the following foundational areas**:

- Academic foundations*
- Communications
- Problem solving and critical thinking
- Information technology
- Organizational systems
- Safety, health and environment
- Leadership and teamwork
- , Ethics and legal responsibilities
- , Employability and career development
- Technical foundations
- ** Career Clusters on the web at http://www.careerclusters.org/16clusters.htm

Career Awareness Kindergarten through Grade 6

Students will demonstrate proficiency at appropriate levels in the Arizona Workplace Standards***:

- > Communication skills
- Computation skills and data analysis techniques
- Critical and creative thinking skills
- Teamwork skills
- . Marketable skills development
- . Social, organizational and technological systems
- Technological literacy
- , Personal and professional resource management

^{*} Some 9th grade Career Exploration may include Career Preparation when the curriculum is designed to be delivered in grades 9 through 12.

^{***}Arizona Workplace Standards on the web at http://www.ade.az.gov/standards/workplace/default.asp



Timeline for Transition and Implementation of New CTE Delivery System

- SY 2003 2004 conduct public input meetings on transition to new delivery system.
- SY 2004 2005 finalize recommendations and strategic goals for State Board of Education approval.
- December 2004 fund curriculum project for Career Exploration.
 Complete in June for dissemination at Summer Conference 2005 and SY 2005 2006.
- April 2005 distribute updated Handbook to continue existing Levels of CTE Model.
- April 2005 approve curriculum project for Program Preparation
 that will combine Level II and Level III competencies. Curriculum
 to be completed April 2006 for dissemination at Summer
 Conference and SY 2006 2007.
- SY 2005 2006 and SY 2006 2007 utilize 2005 Handbook to report enrollment.
- April 2007 distribute updated Handbook for new CTE Delivery
 System for implementation in SY 2007 2008. Some districts
 may require additional time to implement pending their curriculum
 approval process.

Comparison of Current CTE Model vs. Proposed CTE Delivery System Statewide Funding Totals

Figures Taken from VOCI 51

2003-04 Enrollment Figures Used for FY05 Funding

Current CTE Model funds grades 11th and 12th in Level III Courses

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ount Funded per Student FY05	\$116.94

(using 2003-2004 enrollment)

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Proposed CTE Delivery System funds grades 11th and 12th in Career Preparation Courses

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 ¹¹th and 12th grade students who would be eligible for funding under the Proposed Delivery System who do not generate funding under the Current Model.

Arizona High School Renewal and Improvement Initiative

A Report of the Regional Focus Groups on High School Renewal







Executive Summary, January 2005

The Report of the Regional Focus Groups on High School Renewal was written by Circe Stumbo and edited by James Poolos of West Wind Enterprises. Sara Strain provided research assistance related to the focus group data and quotations.

The report was written under contract with the Arizona Department of Education. The Regional Focus Groups on High School Renewal were funded by WestEd and the Arizona Department of Education. The Arizona Department of Education utilized a grant from the U.S. Department of Education's Preparing America's Future: The High School Initiative line of credit to support the focus groups and this report. The findings in this report do not necessarily represent the views of the Arizona Department of Education. WestEd. or the U.S. Department of Education. The report also does not necessarily represent the views of individual focus group participants.

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Executive Summary

Written by Circe Stumbo Lifted by James Poolos

rizona is poised to usher in exciting renewal activities in its high schools, which will help to ensure all students in Arizona achieve to high levels and graduate from high school ready for college, work, and success in life. A broad cross-section of school, community, and governmental leaders are looking at the performance of Arizona's high school students and are studying ways to improve the missions, organization, and results of Arizona's high schools.

There are many reasons why Arizonans believe high school renewal so critical. Most significant are hopes that more and more of Arizona's high school students will ultimately graduate and that they will graduate proficient in Arizona's content and performance standards. Only 76.4% of students starting high school in the fall of 1998 graduated by spring 2003. 33.6% of Arizona's Hispanic students in that cohort did not graduate in five years, 37% of Native American students did not graduate; and 29.8% African American did not graduate in five years. Further, there is not general consensus that each of those students who did graduate was well prepared for a competitive economy or post-secondary education.

In an effort to ensure all of Arizona's high school students achieve to the standards, the Arizona State Legislature recently authorized an assessment and accountability system, which requires all students to pass Arizona's Instrument for Measuring the Standards, or the AIMS test, in order to graduate. The class of 2006 is the first class that will be required to pass AIMS to graduate. In the spring 2004 administration (the first opportunity the class of 2006 had to take the test, which was when they were sophomores), 59% of that class who took AIMS without accommodations passed the reading portion, 62% passed the writing portion, and 39% passed the mathematics portion of the AIMS assessment. In the fall 2004

administration, students were retested in areas where they underperformed. 36% of the class who took the reading "retest" passed, 46% of 11th graders who took the writing retest passed, and 22% of the class who took the mathematics retest passed.

Statewide concern that all students ultimately pass the AIMS test by 2006 is creating conditions for real renewal to occur in Arizona's high schools. Arizonans across the board are eager to change—and they are ready for a legitimate group of stakeholders to provide leadership in identifying strategies for renewal that schools, school districts, and communities can join together to undertake.

To help provide that leadership, the Arizona Department of Education convened a statewide team to study the high school context in Arizona and to develop action plans for high school renewal. After their first full meeting in the summer of 2004, the State Team determined they needed to conduct a needs assessment of stakeholders from across the state in order to determine the unique Arizona context for improving high school. In response, the Arizona Department of Education and WestEd joined to organize four Regional Focus Groups on High School Renewal. The Focus Groups were held October 14 in Yuma, October 15 in Tucson, October 18 in Flagstaff, and October 19 in Phoenix. The Focus Groups were convened to advise the Arizona High School Renewal and Improvement Initiative State Team on a number of key topics:

- what matters most to the many diverse stakeholders unique to Arizona;
- what are the expectations for student performance within the schools and the broader community;
- what students need in order to be successful in high school;
- what ideas for renewal hold promise or are at peril; and
- how ready the schools and communities are to take on high school renewal initiatives.

One hundred and eleven stakeholders took part in the focus groups, representing a diverse array of interests, including those of students, parents, teachers, principals, administrators, elected officials, business and industry, higher education, and middle level education; charter schools, alternative schools, and regular comprehensive high schools; and urban, suburban, and rural schools. These stakeholders joined together to advise the AZHSRI State Team on the development and implementation of an action plan for high school renewal.

Recommendations

Following are key recommendations based on analysis of the Focus Group results. It is important to note that focus group participants did not vote on recommendations for the State Team; instead, the following recommendations are offered by the researchers, based on the themes and comments that emerged out of all of the focus group sessions. The full report, which contains detailed listings of the comments made, can be accessed at www.ade.state.az.us/asd/AZHSRI/default.asp.

Outline of Recommendations to the Arizona High School Renewal and Improvement Initiative State Team

January 2005

L Clearly and Convincingly Justify High School Renewal

- A. Define Arizona's expectations for high school students in a clear, concrete vision statement
- B. Include in the vision statement the expectations Arizona has for its high school graduates, including proficiency in core content areas, the arts, and citizenship; preparation for the workforce, higher education, and life in general; and the ability and desire to engage in lifelong learning
- C. Develop action plans with short-term "quick wins," medium-term actions, and long-term changes
- D. Identify and include in the action plans resources for high school renewal, including partnerships and opportunities for collaboration with stakeholders and allies
- E. Identify and include in the action plans messages that motivate the public and make the case for renewal
- F. Present the vision and action plans in a continuous improvement mode

H. Ensure All Students Have Access to a Rigorous, Relevant, Comprehensive Curriculum

- A. Ensure the curriculum is well-rounded—and rigorous
- B. Learn from, encourage, and expand Career and Technical Education
- C. Recognize and address the importance of student motivation

III. Improve Instruction

- A. Improve teacher preparation
- B. Improve teacher professional development
- C. Use knowledge about adolescent development in instructional strategies and plans for school organization
- D. Change the professional culture of school communities

IV. Reduce the Number of Students Who Drop Out Early

V. Diagnose Potential Resistance to Change and Address as Required

VI. Ensure AIMS is a Sustainable Instrument for Improvement

- A. Continuously inform the public about AIMS
- B. Analyze AIMS results and publicize findings
- C. Help students to pass AIMS

Use of the Recommendations

These recommendations were prepared for the Arizona High School Renewal and Improvement Initiative State Team as they develop their action plans to support high school renewal. It is important to note that the recommendations, as well as the supporting data, are the result of specific inquiries targeted to a small sample of public education stakeholders in the state of Arizona. Thus, though they are of great utility, they are limited in that they do not account for concerns and potential solutions that may not have fit within the framework of the focus group format. While focus group participants were given numerous opportunities to provide comments in different formats (large- and small-group discussions, written feedback forms, and post-focus group correspondence), time and the questions themselves necessarily limit the range of responses provided by participants. In addition, focus groups were comprised of fewer than forty participants per site. This provided each participant ample opportunity to engage in the conversations, but the focus group format does not lend itself to findings that are generalizable to the full population of stakeholders in Arizona. Participants' responses also reflect and are limited to their respective areas of expertise as they attempt to address direct questions.

Therefore, it is best to use these types of data and consequent recommendations as a foundation for action planning and as direction for further study, including the research of best practices and lessons learned in other fields. Going forward, the AZHSRI State Team and other supporters of education in Arizona should not be limited to the results of these focus groups alone, but should use these results creatively to forecast, strategize, and customize partnerships and action plans.

Endnotes

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